DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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IMPORTANT NOTICE PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

This notice is to inform you that as a result of a lawsuit filed against the California Department of Social Services (Department) by CBS Broadcasting Inc., and in accordance with the Court of Appeal of the State of California, Second Appellate District's decision filed August 21, 2001 the Department has been ordered to provide to CBS Broadcasting the following:

- Names of all persons who have been granted a criminal record exemption since
 January 1, 1995 to work, reside in, or be present in, childcare facilities licensed by
 the Department and who are currently working, residing, or eligible to work in those
 facilities; and
- Names of the Family Child Care Homes (FCCH) and Child Day Care Centers (CDCC) which are employing, or have, since January 1, 1995, employed exempted individuals to work in their facilities, or allowed exempted individuals to reside, or be present in, their facilities.

This means the Department is now required to tell people who ask, including the press, if someone in a child care center or family child care home has a criminal record exemption. The Department must also tell people who ask, the name of a child care center or family child care home that has a licensee, employee, resident, or other person with a criminal record exemption.

The Department still cannot give information about the actual criminal conviction. What is public information is that this Department granted a person an exemption to be licensed, work at, live in, or be connected with a child day care facility.

If you have any questions, call the Department's Caregiver Background Check Bureau at (916) 274-6200.